GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
STEEL
LOK SABHA

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IMPORT OF DEEP BROWN STEEL
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Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) whether extra deep brown steel is imported for automobile sector in the country;

(b) if so, the details in this regard and the amount incurred /being incurred thereon;

(c) whether SAIL or other steel sectors are not producing extra deep from steel; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR STEEL (SHRI BRAJA KISHORE TRIPATHY)

(a)&(b): Extra Deep Drawing (EDD) grade steel, which is made from Hot Rolled/Cold Rolled Coils/ Sheets, is used in the Automobile Sector. Around fifty percent of the CR Coils/Sheets imported into the country is of EDD quality and is consumed by the Automobile Sector as well as the White-Goods Sector. In the last year (2000-01), 246 thousand tonnes of CR Sheets/Coils, worth Rs. 493 crore, were imported by India.

(c)&(d): Many producers, including SAIL, are making Deep Drawing and Extra Deep Drawing quality of steel in India. However, the products of only a few match the international quality, required by the automobile sector.